

Mike sought every day to serve the interests and uphold the traditions of this institution and its members. We need more like him, Mr. Speaker, and must find ways to attract and retain them.

While Mike's thoughts will undoubtedly turn elsewhere in the years ahead, I will not be surprised if his name appears once again on the list of Congressional Record subscribers. I urge all Members to join me in wishing Mike Harrison a long, healthy and prosperous retirement.

HONORING THE CLIF FAMILY WINERY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Clif Family Winery, the recipient of the St. Helena Chamber of Commerce 2017 Business of the Year Award. The St. Helena Chamber of Commerce awards businesses dedicated to outstanding customer service, environmentally conscious practices, and commitment to giving back to the local community.

Gary Erickson and Kit Crawford, the founders and owners of Clif Bar & Co., started the Clif Family Winery in 2004. Their winery focuses on making environmentally-sustainable, high-quality wines while increasing awareness of organic and sustainable farming.

Clif Family Winery operates a popular tasting room and regularly hosts community functions. In the past year, Clif has held numerous fundraising events for local community groups, including the St. Helena Food Pantry, the St. Helena Public School Foundation, the Napa Bike Coalition, the Napa Valley Land Trust, and the Soroptimist Sunrise Club. For the past four years, Clif has held its signature Sip & Support event, which brings together citizens and community partners for an evening of socializing and learning about volunteer opportunities. Each event features a Clif Family Winery community partner to connect local non-profits with the communities they serve.

The winery embodies what we value in our Napa Valley. It not only produces high-quality wines, but also brings together the people who make our community stronger. The Clif Family Winery provides good jobs, supports local businesses and resources whenever possible, and gives back to our community and important social causes.

Mr. Speaker, the Clif Family Winery exemplifies socially responsible and community-focused business practices. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor Clif Family Winery here today and congratulate the winery on this well-deserved accolade.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF FALL-EN MISSISSIPPI SOLDIER PRIVATE (PV2) BARRY WAYNE MAYO

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in memory of U.S. Army Private

(PV2) Barry Wayne Mayo who paid the ultimate sacrifice while defending our nation March 5, 2007, during Operation Iraqi Freedom III. PV2 Mayo lost his life when an improvised explosive device detonated near his unit in Baqubah, Iraq. Also killed were Specialist Blake Harris and Specialist Ryan D. Russell.

PV2 Mayo, an Ecu native, was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery, 3rd Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas. PV2 Mayo attended North Pontotoc High School and one semester at Northeast Mississippi Community College prior to enlisting in the Army.

During the procession from the Tupelo Regional Airport to the United Funeral Home in New Albany, dozens of people lined highway overpasses, waved flags and saluted the convoy.

PV2 Mayo's was just 21-years-old when he died. His devotion to our nation will always be remembered.

HONORING MARCH 2017 AS NATIONAL EYE DONOR MONTH

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor March 2017 as National Eye Donor Month. This is a month dedicated to promoting awareness of the need to register as an eye donor, recognize donors as well as their families, and celebrate the lives of donor recipients.

Since President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the first National Eye Donor Month in 1983, the Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA) and each of its 86 member eye banks across the U.S., have designated March to recognize over one million corneal tissue recipients who have regained their sight. In 2015 alone, EBAA member eye banks recovered 118,752 corneas from 66,065 donors and provided 74,173 corneas for transplant in the U.S. and around the world. Also in 2015, my home state of New York provided 2,835 corneas for transplant and 715 for research and education by six eye banks statewide.

Eye banks have a special significance in the 7th Congressional District of New York, the Eye-Bank for Sight Restoration (EBSR) in my district was the first eye bank in the world. Since its inception in 1944 by Dr. Townley Paton, EBSR has given the gift of sight to over 63,000 men, women and children.

On this special occasion, I commend the Eye Bank Association of America and the eye banks across the country for their great work. I encourage my colleagues to support efforts that urge all Americans to give the gift of sight by registering to become eye, organ and tissue donors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN K. DELANEY

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Mr. DELANEY. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to cast my vote on roll call vote No. 121. Had I

been present to vote on roll call vote No. 121, I would have voted "NO."

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE HON. ENI F. H. FALEOMAVAEGA

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Congressman Eni F. H. Faleomavaega, American Samoa's longest serving Delegate to the House of Representatives.

Congressman Eni F. H. Faleomavaega was a patriot and a leader who personified the highest ideals of our nation.

Eni dedicated his entire life to service. He was a proud Army veteran, and long before he held elected office, he worked as a staffer, including a time in the office of San Francisco Congressman Phil Burton.

For 26 years, Congressman Faleomavaega brought outspoken and effective leadership for American Samoa to the House of Representatives.

Eni was a relentless champion for the rights and advancement of his constituents. His life and leadership powerfully spotlighted the immense contributions of Americans from U.S. territories. May it comfort his family and friends that so many join in their sorrow at the passing of this extraordinary man.

HONORING JAMES ALLEN ADAMS

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 2, 2017

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor James "Jimmy" Allen Adams, whom the St. Helena Chamber of Commerce has named Employee of the Year in its annual Community Service Awards. This award recognizes individuals in our community who embody the industry and innovation which makes them exceptional employees. Mr. Adams is highly deserving of this award.

Mr. Adams has been a remarkable employee with Sunshine Foods for 12 years. He is a respected and well-liked coworker and an indispensable employee. Mr. Adams is a Navy Veteran, partner to Jim Villanueva for the past 23 years and the owner of two miniature schnauzer dogs.

Outside of his work with Sunshine Foods, Mr. Adams is a member of the Bay Area Stage Theater Group the On the Fringe acting group. He enjoys gardening and auditioning for different acting roles. He recently worked on the new Selena Gomez Netflix television show, 13 Reasons Why.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Jimmy Adams is a diligent, hardworking employee in our business community and the St. Helena Chamber of Commerce has rightly recognized his great contributions. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today and congratulate him on this well-deserved award.